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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, OVERSEER OF THE POOR, TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK, SCHOOL BOARD, LIBRARY TRUSTEES AND AUDITORS.

OF THE

TOWN OF CHESTER

For the Year Ending February 15, 1909.

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TOWN WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

ROCKINGHAM, SS.

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Chester in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the ninth day of March next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropri-

ate a sum of money for salary of Librarian, and to defray the running expenses of the Public Library.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to that required by law to purchase books for the Public Library.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the decoration of Soldiers' graves.

7. To see if the Town will vote to buy a new Road Machine and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used with the Pressey Legacy for the construction of water works.

9. To see if the Town will vote to choose one Road Agent.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in addition to that required by law to continue the State Road to the Brick School House.

11. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to build a fence around the old Town Hall, finish grading around the same and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

12. To choose Agents or Committees in relation to any article embraced in this Warrant.

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of Feb-

ruary, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred nine.

GEORGE S. WEST,
ADDISON A. BEAN,
NATHAN W. GOLDSMITH. } Selectmen of Chester.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GEORGE S. WEST,
ADDISON A. BEAN,
NATHAN W. GOLDSMITH. } Selectmen of Chester.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Moderator—Nathan W. Goldsmith.

Town Clerk—Cyrus F. Marston.

Selectmen—George S. West, Addison A. Bean, Nathan W. Goldsmith.

Overseer of the Poor—Nathan W. Goldsmith.

Town Treasurer—Arthur H. Wilcomb.

Collector of Taxes—George S. Webster.

School District Clerk—Albert F. B. Edwards.

School Board—Martha T. Learnard, George A. Hosley, Lizzie S. Hook.

Truant Officer—James W. Towle.

School District Treasurer—John M. Webster.

Representative—George D. Rand.

Library Trustees—John H. Robie, Herbert W. Robie, Francis E. Robie.

Constables—James E. McCannon, James W. Gordon.

Special Police—James W. Towle.

Supervisors of Checklist—Edwin P. Jones, James E. McCannon, William N. Colby.

Auditors—Cyrus F. Marston, William T. Owen, Elmer A. Sanborn.

Health Officers—Walter I. Martin, Cyrus F. Marston, William T. Owen.

Cemetery Trustees—Robert H. Hazelton, Addison A. Bean, Cyrus F. Marston.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

For the Fiscal Year Ending February 15, 1909.

VALUATION.

Resident real estate	$346,630 00	
Non-resident real estate	48,375 00	
Number of polls, 214	21,400 00	
Number of horses, 220	18,430 00	
Number of oxen, 10	720 00	
Number of cows, 344	10,150 00	
Number of other neat stock, 72	1,377 00	
Number of sheep, 18	54 00	
Number of mules, 5	650 00	
Number of hogs, 13	100 00	
Number of fowls, 422	210 00	
Bank stock	4,483 00	
Stock in corporations out of this state	90 00	
Money at interest	3,000 00	
Stock in trade	16,010 00	
Mills, Machinery, etc.	4,600 00	
		$476,279 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

State Tax	$1055 00
County Tax	1589 55

Town Tax . . .	$ 1 00	
Highway Tax . .	1500 00	
School tax required by law .	1582 50	
School tax additional by vote of district . . .	200 00	
School house repairs . .	100 00	
Books for Public Library .	100 00	
Librarian's salary and expenses .	50 00	
Memorial Day . .	50 00	
Old Home Day . .	100 00	
Overlay . . .	101 04	
		$6429 09
Taxes omitted and added .	$25 11	
		$25 11
Rate per cent of taxation on $100 .	1 35	
		$1 35

AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount required by law .	$1582 50	
Additional by vote of district .	200 00	
Literary fund . .	100 65	
Balance of dog tax for 1908 .	135 30	
		$2018 45

The Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor have given orders on the Town Treasurer for the payment of the following bills:

FOR REPAIRS ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1908

March 28, Paid Sanborn & Kendall, for 961 feet bridge plank . $ 24 00

April	11,	James W. Towle, for plank . .	$ 15 92
	11,	James W. Towle, for plank . .	4 00
May	7,	George A. Cammett, for labor .	78 78
	9,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	14 00
	14,	W. T. Owen, for labor	28 75
	16,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	42 45
	22,	James C. Whittemore, for labor .	67 45
	29,	James W. Gordon, for labor . .	42 00
	29,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	29 75
June	2,	Osman Spofford, for labor . .	49 05
	27,	Walter I. Martin, for labor . .	82 05
	27,	Austin J. Lane, for labor . .	50 00
	27,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	2 78
	27,	James W. Gordon, for labor . .	62 15
	27,	Charles W. Edwards, for labor .	59 75
	27,	William N. Colby, for labor . .	122 13

	27,	Leon B. Richardson, for labor .	$ 27 50
	27,	Elmer A. Sanborn, for labor . .	52 80
	27,	Nathan W. Goldsmith, for labor .	31 75
July	2,	James C. Whittemore, for labor .	22 38
	11,	William T. Owen, for labor . .	49 50
	29,	James W. Gordon, for labor . .	51 50
Aug.	11,	W. I. Martin, for labor on Messer bridge .	23 50
	14,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	14 20
	15,	Osman Spofford, for labor . .	26 70
	15,	James W. Gordon, for labor . .	46 25
	21,	James C. Whittemore, for labor .	78 50
	22,	J. W. Towle, for 1,124 feet plank .	20 23
Sept.	3,	Leon B. Richardson, for labor .	41 98
	7,	Elmer A. Sanborn, repairing bridge .	46 50
	10,	Walter P. Tenney, for labor . .	83 75
Oct.	27,	Walter I. Martin, for labor . .	12 65

	31,	James W. Gordon, for labor . . .	$ 12 50	
Nov.	12,	Frank T. Smith, for labor . .	23 50	
	21,	Nathan W. Goldsmith, for labor .	8 25	
	26,	Austin J. Lane, for labor . .	24 30	
Dec.	7,	Walter I. Martin, for labor . .	8 53	
	11,	Leon B. Richardson, for labor .	5 12	
	12,	James W. Gordon, for labor . .	16 35	
	12,	James C. Whittemore, for labor .	8 05	
	26,	William N. Colby, work and gravel .	31 55	
1909				
Jan.	4,	William T. Owen, for labor . .	15 38	
Feb.	13,	Charles H. Edwards, for labor .	5 15	
	13,	Bachelder, Floyd & Horne, 990 ft. plank	19 80	
	13,	A. H. Wilcomb, 5 bbls. cement and freight	12 75	
				$ 1595 50

PICKING MOTH NESTS.

1908			
March	11,	Paid Wilson S. Wells .	$1 25
	21,	Wilson S. Wells .	7 50
	21,	Frank T. Smith .	10 00
	25,	Bert Gile .	5 00
	25,	Howard Woodard .	17 40
	25,	Howard Fitts .	2 00
	28,	Wilson S. Wells .	5 80
	28,	Bert Gile .	5 00
	28,	Frank T. Smith .	6 80
	28,	C. George McDuffie .	11 20
	28,	Guy V. H. Anderson,	11 20
	28,	Roy W. Purington .	10 00
	28,	Clifton E. Hook .	4 00
April	2,	Josiah Fitz 4th .	5 00
	2,	Wilson S. Wells ..	3 60
	4,	Frank T. Smith .	4 80
	4,	Guy V. H. Anderson	3 10
	4,	Clifton E. Hook .	4 00
	7,	Irvin G. Robie .	3 40
	10,	Wilson S. Wells .	6 55
	10,	Roy W. Purington .	14 70
	11,	Howard Woodard .	8 40
	11,	Bert Gile .	19 90
	11,	Clifton E. Hook .	4 00
	11,	Frank T. Smith .	7 40
	11,	Guy V. H. Anderson	7 00
	11,	Robert H. Hazelton, for picking nests in cemetery .	2 70

	11,	Sherburne Hazelton,	$ 10 10
	16,	Clifton E. Hook .	2 00
	18,	Wilson S. Wells .	8 95
	18,	Howard Woodard .	7 40
	18,	Clifton E. Hook .	2 00
	18,	Frank T. Smith .	7 80
	22,	Roy W. Purington .	7 00
	22,	Bert Gile .	10 00
	23,	Clifton E. Hook .	2 60
	25,	Howard Woodard .	6 00
	25,	Wilson S. Wells .	8 00
	27,	Frank·T. Smith, .	8 00
	28,	Wilson S. Wells .	1 60
	29,	Bert Gile .	5 80
May	2,	Howard Woodard .	1 00
	4,	Joseph R. Edwards .	8 20
1909			
Jan.	5,	David M. Mills .	2 90
	30,	Duncan Jones .	2 80
	30,	Howard Woodard .	1 40
	30,	John Buzzle, Jr. .	4 60
Feb.	6,	Duncan Jones .	5 60
	6,	Howard Woodard .	7 40
	6,	John Buzzell, Jr., .	8 40
	6,	Arthur M. Lawrence .	13 00
	6,	Arthur E. Leighton .	6 00
	6,	Howard Fitts .	13 30
	6,	Bert Gile .	12 00
	13,	John Buzzell, Jr. .	7 60
	13,	Howard Woodard .	6 00
	13,	Bert Gile .	7 00

13,	Arthur Leighton .	$ 8 00	
13,	Shurberne Hazelton .	14 00	
13,	Arthur M. Lawrence.	7 80	
13,	Charles Cammett .	5 80	
13,	Howard Fitts .	6 40	
15,	Duncan Jones .	6 40	
			$434 55

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Feb. 13,	Paid George S. Webster, discount on taxes collected on or before Aug. 1, 1908 .	$105 45	
			$105 45

COLLECTING TAXES.

Feb. 13,	Paid George S. Webster, on list of 1907 .	$12 44	
	George S. Webster on list of 1908 .	53 00	
			$65 44

EXPENSE OF TOWN HALL COMMITTEE.

Jan. 30,	Paid Albert M. Hardy .	$12 15	
Feb. 15,	Addison A. Bean .	7 00	
	John M. Webster .	12 00	
	George S. West .	7 00	
	The Union Publishing Co. . .	7 22	
	A. T. Ramsdell, for plans . .	200 00	
	The Union Publishing Co. .	7 22	
			$252 59

REPAIRS ON ROAD MACHINE.

1908				
Oct.	27, Paid	Good Roads Machinery Co. .	$9 70	
Feb.	13,	Edward T. Morse .	4 00	
				$13 70

SEWER PIPE.

Oct.	27, Paid	Waldo Bros. .	$64 00	
Dec.	26,	Waldo Bros. .	30 00	
				$94 00

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Dec.	26, Paid	E. E. Griffin for dynamite, fuse, etc., .	$7 36
	26,	John Muir for 30 ft. hemlock boards .	69
	26,	Luther B. Lane for lettering aud setting guide post, .	1 50
	26,	E. H. Anderson, 2 lanterns and cartridges	2 15
Jan.	30,	W. N. Colby for moving stone crusher .	10 00
	30,	Bell W. R. C. for 7 dinners, 9 suppers Nov. 3 . .	2 40
	30,	A.H. Wilcomb,express, telephoning, etc. .	4 82

	30,	A. H. Wilcomb, coal, gasoline and lantern globe . .	$ 13 30	
	30,	C. & D. R. R., freight	17 82	
Feb.	13,	E. T. Morse, for new drills and repairing drills . .	38 60	
	13,	A. H. Wilcomb, 3 tree pruners .	3 00	
	13,	W. F. Neal for two picks and handles	1 90	
	13,	Walter I. Martin for moving plank to Derry .	9 50	
				$113 04

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Oct.	27,	Paid Walter I. Martin for chemicals .	$8 25	
Dec.	7,	W. A. Allen, M. D., for professional services to F. T. Smith's family .	8 00	
Feb.	13,	W. I. Martin .	9 85	
	13,	Cyrus F. Marston .	8 00	
	15,	Albert L. Hill for taking cultures in family of John Smith	1 60	
				$35 70

CARE OF COMMON.

Dec.	26,	Paid Robert Hazelton .	$1 90	
				$1 90

TUITION OF PUPILS AT SCHOOL OUT OF TOWN.

Dec.	21, Paid John M. Webster for Pinkerton Academy	$315 00	
Feb.	13, John M. Webster for Sanborn Seminary	15 00	
			$330 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

July	11, Paid Francis E. Robie, poll tax, . .	$1 35	
Oct.	31, Alice L. Morse Hutchins, tax on Taylor lot sold .	2 16	
Feb.	13, Paid George S. Webster on lists of 1907, 1908 for the following:		
	Clifford A. Martin, left town	1 40	
	Harry N. West, wrong tax	1 40	
	Frank E. Moore, left town	1 40	
	Ernest Raymond, left town	1 40	
	James Plaisted, soldier .	2 70	
	Sarah Kehoe, soldier's widow . .	1 35	
			$13 16

EXPENSE OF JOSEPH M. CRAIG CASE.

Oct.	31, Paid Cyrus F. Marston, expense of Craig case	$28 71	
			$28 71

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Apr. 15,	Paid Herbert W. Robie .	$50 00	
Nov. 20,	Francis E. Robie .	50 00	
Feb. 5,	Francis E. Robie .	50 00	
Dec. 26,	Louis M. Packer for stoves and fittings .	14 11	
			$164 11

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Dec. 4,	Paid Martha T. Learnard .	$100 00	
Feb. 13,	Martha T. Learnard .	11 66	
			$111 66

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

Mar. 28,	Paid Derry News for 550 Town Reports .	$44 20	
July 31,	E. C. Eastman for Collector's book .	1 94	
Dec. 26,	E. C. Eastman for Order book and Town Warrants .	1 94	
Feb. 13,	George S. Webster, for tax bills .	1 15	
			$49 23

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

Apr. 15,	Paid John M. Webster for 1907 . .	$100 00	
			$100 00

MEMORIAL DAY.

May 30,	Paid Edward J. Robie .	$50 00	
			$50 00

SCHOOL MONEY.

June 27,	Paid John M. Webster .	$600 00	
Nov. 26,	John M. Webster .	600 00	
Dec. 26,	John M. Webster .	818 45	
			$2018 45

POLICE SERVICES.

Aug. 22,	Paid James W. Towle for night of July 3, 4, .	$3 00	
Dec. 26,	James E. McConnor for July 3, 4, Nov. 3, .	5 00	
			$8 00

CARE OF CEMETERIES.

Oct. 2,	Paid C. H. Knowles for repairing cemetery fence in Sanborn District	$1 00	
Oct. 2,	Robert Hazelton care of cemetery .	8 15	
			$9 15

MOVING AND REPAIRING TOWN HALL.

Dec. 9,	Paid John Buzzell, Jr., for work on basement	$2 25
14,	Frank J. Smith for work on basement	7 50
14,	Geo. L. Theobald for moving hall .	475 00
14,	Daniel F.Gile for work on basement, .	7 50
15,	John P. Buzzell for work on basement	2 25

	18,	Louis Morin & Sons, stone work .	$ 121 75
	18,	N. W. Goldsmith, work with team and lumber .	36 23
	26,	J. W. Gordon, work with team and lumber . .	41 35
	26,	Geo. E. Gillingham, 1281 ft. lumber .	25 62
	26,	Annie L. Sprague for 1-2 acre of land .	125 00
Jan.	6,	C. H. Webster. for work on basement	9 30
	6,	Albert Knippe for work on basement	12 60
	11,	Steven A. Steele for work on basement	3 00
	30,	John Muir for lumber and windows, .	22 97
	30,	Albert F. B. Edwards for lumber .	8 00
	30,	Addison A. Bean for work , .	17 90
	30,	Francis E. Robie for setting glass .	60
	30,	A. H. Wilcomb for cement, hinges, etc.	6 73
Feb.	15,	E. P. Jones for work on hall basement .	13 65
	15,	Albert M. Hardy, work on basement .	21 08

	15,	William H. West 2nd for brick .	$ 3 50	
				$963 78

STATE ROAD.

Aug.	15,	Paid F. C. Brown, Jr. .	$1 50	
	22,	F. C. Brown, Jr. .	6 00	
	22,	Wilson S. Wells .	6 00	
	22,	Harris M. West .	8 25	
	22,	Frank T. Smith .	7 50	
	22,	Bert Gile .	8 25	
	22,	Henry P. Nowell .	25 20	
	22,	Geo. S. West, chairman selectmen .	50 00	
	29,	Geo. S. West, chairman selectmen .	400 00	
	29,	F. C. Brown, Jr. .	7 50	
	29,	F. C. Brown .	7 50	
Sept.	5,	Geo. S. West, chairman selectmen .	500 00	
	12,	Geo. S. West, chairman selectmen .	500 00	
	19,	Geo. S. West, chairman selectmen .	500 00	
	24,	A. H. Wilcomb for coal . .	124 64	
Nov.	26,	Austin J. Lane .	42 00	
	26,	Elden L. Dow .	9 75	
Oct.	10,	George S. West, chairman selectmen .	673 67	
Dec.	9,	George S. West, chairman selectmen .	673 66	

Jan. 9,	George S. West, chairman selectmen .	$ 269 54	
			$3820 96

INSURANCE ON TOWN HALL.

Jan. 30,	Paid Arthur H. Wilcomb .	$20 00	
			$20 00

RETURN OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Dec. 26,	Paid Cyrus F. Marston records of marriages, births and deaths, transmitted under the requirements of Chap. 21, Laws 1905 . .	$31 45	
Feb. 13,	Paid Ralph H. Barker return of births and deaths	3 00	
15,	James G. Robertson, return of marriages	1 00	
	Albert L. Hill, return of births and deaths	2 00	
			$37 45

CARE AND ATTENDANCE WITH HEARSE.

Feb. 13,	Paid W. I. Martin for having runners repaired	$9 00	
	W. I. Martin for attendance with hearse for the following:		
	Johannah C. Arlitt .	$4 00	

	Willie Butler .	$ 4 00	
	Ebenezer Marden .	4 00	
	Newton J. Emerson .	4 00	
	Mary A. Bogue .	4 00	
	Alice M. N. West .	4 00	
	Emily J. Hazelton .	4 00	
			$37 00

FOREST FIRES.

Feb.	13, Paid Charles H. Greene .	$1 05	
			$1 05

TRUST FUND INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Feb.	15, Paid interest on $100 note as the George W. Stevens library fund	$2 47	
	15, interest on $50 note as the George W. Stevens library fund .	25	
	15, Interest on $100 note as the Luther W. Hall cemetery fund	50	
	15, Interest on $45 note as the Edmund Sleeper cemetery fund . .	23	
	15, Interest on $50 note as the George W. Stevens cemetery fund	25	
	15, Interest on $100 note as the George W. Stevens cemetery fund	2 47	

15,	Interest on $75 note as the William W. White cemetery fund, .	$ 2 63	
15,	Interest on $32 note as the Jonathan Pressey cemetery fund, .	1 12	
15,	Interest on $300 note as the John W. Noyes cemetery fund . .	10 50	
			$20 42

SUPERVISORS' SERVICES.

Dec.	5, Paid Edwin P. Jones .	8 00	
	26, William N. Colby .	8 00	
	James E. McCannon .	8 00	
			$24 00

BALLOT CLERKS.

Jan.	30, Paid Albert F. B. Edwards	$2 00	
Feb.	13, Arthur H. Wilcomb .	2 00	
	13, George S. Webster .	2 00	
			$6 00

TRUANT OFFICER.

Oct.	31, Paid James W. Towle .	$6 50	
			$6 50

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES.

1909				
Feb.	13, Paid	Lizzie S. Hook .	$30 00	
	13,	George A. Hosley .	35 00	
	13,	Martha T. Learnard .	35 00	
				$100 00

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK.

Jan.	30, Paid	Albert F. B. Edwards	$2 00	
				$2 00

ENUMERATING SCHOOL CHILDREN.

Feb.	13, Paid	Lizzie S. Hook .	$3 00	
				$3 00

TOWN TREASURER'S SALARY.

Feb.	13, Paid	Arthur H. Wilcomb .	$25 00	
				$25 00

TOWN CLERK SERVICES.

Feb.	13, Paid	Cyrus F. Marston .	$22 00	
				$22 00

SELECTMEN'S SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb.	15, Paid	George S. West .	$105 00	
		Addison A. Bean .	75 60	
		Nathan W. Goldsmith	72 00	
				$252 60

OVERSEER OF POOR SERVICES AND EXPENSES.

Feb.	15, Paid	Nathan W. Goldsmith	$10 00	
				$10 00

AUDITOR'S SERVICES.

Paid Cyrus F. Marston .	$2 00	
William T. Owen . .	2 00	
Elmer A. Sanborn . .	2 00	
		$6 00

SELECTMEN'S AND AUDITOR'S EXPENSES.

Paid Mrs. Addison A. Bean .	$5 00	
		$5 00

NOTICE.

All taxes assessed in the town of Chester for the year 1908, not paid on or before the first day of April next, will be advertised and collected as the law directs.

GEORGE S. WEBSTER, Collector.

Chester, N. H., Feb. 22, 1909.

SUMMARY OF STATE ROAD ACCOUNT.

The money was drawn from the State and Town by George S. West, chairman of the Selectmen and paid to the following for labor:

Paid Frank T. Smith . .	$48 00
Harris M. West . .	39 75
Frank C. Brown, Jr. .	48 40
Charles E. Cook . .	12 75
Nathan W. Goldsmith with team	118 00
Albert Knippe, . .	47 00
Addison A. Bean with team .	132 90
William N. Colby with team .	121 00

William N. Colby for 410 loads gravel . .	$ 41 00
Henry P. Nowell, superintendent	99 00
Sam Leggett . .	32 23
Herbert Durant, engineer .	110 00
Leon G. Simonds . .	44 42
Bert Gile . .	48 90
Daniel F. Gile . .	33 75
George Mackintosh . .	43 70
Walter I. Martin with team .	96 20
James W. Gordon, with team and men . .	121 40
George H. Dane with team .	90 40
Arthur McDuffie, . .	53 00
Wilson S. Wells . .	51 75
William E. Jones with team .	115 90
W. Duncan Jones . .	41 40
George Whittemore .	21 00
Florence C. Carr, team work .	78 80
Albert L. Warren, team work .	86 00
William B. Warren, team work .	90 40
Leroy D. Morse, team work .	90 00
Page T. Long . .	31 50
James A. Roberts . .	11 80
James A. West . .	20 25
John H. Robie with team and men . .	95 00
Alonzo McKellips . .	21 00
John Clary . .	15 75
Austin J. Lane with team .	81 00
James C. Whittemore .	63 92

D. M. Mitchell with team	$ 81 00	
Fred E. Emery	15 75	
Martin Leach	45 50	
Charles D. Rand with team	64 00	
Osman Spofford with team	66 00	
Wentworth	37 65	
Henry Buzzell	39 00	
Harry G. Clemmons	19 50	
Roger Edwards	19 25	
Charles H. Edwards	15 00	
Rufus Forsaith	4 50	
Howard Woodard	12 00	
Geo. D. Rand, with team	20 00	
A. C. Sanders	12 75	
Elden L. Dow	9 75	
A. F. B. Edwards, for slabs	3 00	
Edwin P. Jones	7 50	
Warren M. Carr	20 25	
Frank C. Brown	42 00	
James W. Towle, with team	66 00	
Geo. A. Dolber, for board	30 00	
A. H. Wilcomb, for coal, etc.	124 64	
George S. West, for team work and money paid out	171 15	
Horace S. Rowe, for use of machinery	515 00	
Horace S. Rowe, for labor	82 50	
		$3820 96

OVERSEER OF POOR.

REPORT OF NATHAN W. GOLDSMITH.

TRANSIENTS.

Paid Geo. A. Dolber for 4 transients	$2 00

Nathan W. Goldsmith for 24 transients . .	12 00	
		$14 00

COUNTY PAUPERS.

LUTHER MORSE.

Paid Fanny West, for board from Feb. 11, 1908, to Feb. 10, 1909 .	$91 00	
A. H. Wilcomb, for goods .	4 25	
		$95 25

ELIJAH STOCKWELL.

Paid Fanny West for board from Feb. 11, 1908 to Feb. 10, 1909 .	$91 00	
A. H. Wilcomb, for goods .	7 40	
		$98 40

MARY BOGUE.

Paid Margarett Bogue for board and care from June 15, 1908, to Nov. 24, 1908 .	$69 50	
Funeral expenses . .	16 00	
		$85 50
Amount due from Rockingham County on account of 1908 .	$54 91	
		$54 91
		$334 06
Collected of Rockingham County and paid Town Treasurer .	$320 06	
Balance due from County .	14 00	
		$334 06

Chester, N. H., Feb. 22, 1909.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Overseer of the Poor for the year ending February 15, 1909, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
WILLIAM T. OWEN, } Auditors.
ELMER A. SANBORN.

DR. THE TOWN OF CHESTER IN ACCOUNT

1908–1909.

To discount on taxes paid on or before Aug. 1,	$ 105 45
To cash paid for printing and stationery	49 23
To cash paid for Memorial Day expenses	50 00
To cash paid for county tax	1,589 55
To cash paid for state tax	1,055 00
To cash paid for books, etc., for public library	100 00
To cash paid for public library expenses	64 11
To cash paid for support of schools	2,018 45
To cash paid for school books and supplies	111 66
To cash paid for tuition of pupils in academies out of town	330 00
To cash paid for improvements on roads and bridges	1595 50
To cash paid for building state highways	3,820 96
To cash paid for removing brown tailed moth nests	434 55
To cash paid for abatement of taxes	13 16
To cash paid for collecting taxes	65 44
To cash paid for interest on trust funds to Feb. 15th, 1909,	20 42
To cash paid for care and attendance with hearse	28 00
To cash paid for repairs on hearse	9 00
To cash paid for care of cemeteries	9 15
To cash paid for moving town hall and lot for same	963 78
To cash paid for insurance on town hall	20 00
To cash paid for plans, printing etc. for Stevens Memorial Hall	252 59
To cash paid for returning of marriages, births and deaths	6 00
To cash paid for repairs on road machine	13 70
To cash paid for school house repairs	100 00
To Cash paid for costs State vs. Joseph Craig	28 71
To cash paid for care of common	1 90
To cash paid for fighting fire	1 05
To cash paid for sewer pipe	94 00
To cash paid for support of poor	293 15
To cash paid for health officers, services and expenses	35 70
To cash paid school district enumerator services	3 00
To cash paid for miscellaneous bills	113 04
To cash paid for school district clerk	2 00
To cash paid for school board services	100 00
To cash paid for town clerk's services and expenses	53 45
To cash paid for supervisors of check-list services	24 00
To cash paid inspectors of elections, services	6 00
Tocash paid for truant officer, services	6 50
To cash paid for town treasurer's salary	25 00
To cash paid for overseer of poor, services and expenses	10 00
To cash paid for selectmen's services and expenses	252 60
To cash paid for auditor's services	6 00
To cash paid for police services	8 00
To cash paid for selectmen's and auditor's expenses	5 00
To cash in treasury to balance	4,194 93
	$18,089 73

With Arthur H. Wilcomb, Town Treasurer. Cr.

1908-1909.		
	By cash on hand February 15th, 1908	$2117 98
April	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, on 1907 tax list	875 00
	By cash of George S. Webster, collector, for Daniel L. R Sanborn tax, redeemed	6 62
June	By cash of C. F. Marston, town clerk, dog license fees	130 59
	By cash of James Nerkos for peddler's license No. 1	5 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate part of legacy for hall	3500 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate, part of legacy for cemetery fund	100 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate. part of legacy for library fund	100 00
July	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, on 1908 tax list	850 00
August	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, on 1908 tax list	2650 00
Oct.	By cash of state treasurer for state highway	673 67
Dec.	By cash of state treasurer for state highway	673 66
	By cash of state treasurer, railroad tax	103 07
	By cash of state treasurer, literary fund	110 88
	By cash of state treasurer, savings bank tax	1619 55
	By cash of George. S Webster, Collector, on 1908 tax list	1155 00
	By cash of C. F. Marston for Luther W. Hall Cemetery fund	100 00
	By cash of C. F. Marston for Edmund Sleeper Cemetery fund	45 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate part of legacy for hall	1750 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate part of legacy for cemetery fund	50 00
	By cash of George W. Stevens estate part of legacy for Library fund	50 00
Feb. 1909,	By cash of Rockingham County for support of Poor	320 06
Feb.	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, balance of 1907 tax	268 95
	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, interest on 1907 tax list	30 70
	By cash of George S. Webster, Collector, on 1908 tax list	804 00
		$18,089 73

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN

OF CHESTER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1909.

LIABILITIES.

Note dated May 3, 1904, due Cemetery trustees, in trust for John W. Noyes Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 . .	$300 00
Note dated Feb. 15, 1905, due Cemetery trustees, in trust for Jonathan Pressey Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	32 00
Note dated March 15, 1905, due Cemetery trustees in trust for Wm. White Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	75 00
Note dated June 1, 1908, due Cemetery trustees in trust for George W. Stevens Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	100 00
Note dated Dec. 22, 1908, due Cemetery trustees in trust for George W. Stevens Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	50 00
Note dated Dec. 23, 1908, due Cemetery trustees in trust for Luther W. Hall Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	100 00
Note dated Dec. 24, 1908, due Cemetery trustees in trust for Edmund Sleeper Cemetery Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	45 00

Note dated June 1, 1908, due Library trustees in trust for George W. Stevens Library Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	$ 100 00	
Note dated Dec. 22, 1908, due Library trustees in trust for George W. Stevens Library Fund, interest paid to Feb. 15, 1909 .	50 00	
Amount of Jonathan Pressey legacy for reservoir, with interest to Feb. 15, 1909, at 4 per cent per annum	383 55	
Balance of cash in town treasury for Stevens Memorial Hall .	4997 41	
Total liabilities		$6232 96

ASSETS.

Balance due on tax list of 1908 .	$995 20	
Balance due from Rockingham County	14 00	
Cash in hands of town treasurer .	4194 93	
		$5204 13
Balance against the town		$1028 83

STATEMENT OF THE STEVENS MEMORIAL HALL FUND.

Amount received from the estate of George W. Stevens . .	$5250 00	
Appropriation voted by the town .	2500 00	
		$7750 00
Amount paid by Selectmen's orders .		252 59
Total amount available .		$7497 41

$3,700.00 of the above amount is deposited in the Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester.

The suit tying up some of the Steven's estate funds has been decided in favor of the Executors of the Will and another payment on the hall fund is expected soon.

Respectfully Submitted,
ARTHUR H. WILCOMB,
TOWN TREASURER.

Chester, N. H., Feb. 22, 1909.

This certifies that we have carefully examined the accounts of Arthur H. Wilcomb, Town Treasurer, and find them correctly cast and sustained by satisfactory vouchers and there remains in his hands at the close of the fiscal year $4,194.93.

CYRUS F MARSTON,
WILLIAM T. OWEN, } Auditors.
ELMER A. SANBORN.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Books added to the library in 1908 .	89
Purchased with town money . .	70
Purchased with fines . . .	2
Given, not including "Steven's Collection," .	17
Fiction	68
Non-Fiction . . .	21
Number of books taken out during the year .	4962
Largest number taken out in any one day, Jan. 11, '08 . . .	102
Smallest number, Nov. 4, '08 . .	9
Per cent of fiction read . .	76
Per cent of non-fiction read . .	24

DR.

Money received in fines .	$5 42	
From summer boarders, .	40	
Balance on hand from 1907 .	5 97	
		$11 79

CR.

Expended for books and needed supplies . .	$2 47	
Cash on hand to balance .	9 32	
		$11 79

Gifts of books have been received from Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Nina Wells, George Lansing Raymond, Mrs. Clara Kent, Mrs. Augustus Newell, Christian Science Society, and some gentlemen in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Josiah Fitz has donated the Congregationalist, and Lucy Bell the Youth's Companion. The "Stevens Collection" consists of about 200 books from the library of the late George Stevens of Boston and Chester. These have all been listed, but as only a few of them would appeal to the reading public today, the majority are not catalogued.

There are 2354 catalogued books in the library, 50 copies of government and state publication and some unclassified pamphlets. Five hundred copies of old magazines have been distributed in the families of the town the past year.

ISABELLE H. FITZ, Librarian.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

FRANCIS E. ROBIE, Treasurer.

By the will of George W. Stevens, two hundred dollars ($200.00) was given to the Town of Chester as a library fund, the interest only to be used for the support of "Chester's Free Public Library" and to be known as the "George W. Stevens Library Fund." One hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00) has been paid; fifty dollars will be paid later.

The library trustees hold two notes of the Town of Chester. One for $100.00 given Jan. 1st, 1908. One for $50.00 given Dec. 22nd, 1908, at 3 1-2 per cent interest to be paid annually.

LIBRARY TRUST FUND.

George W. Stevens, . .	$150 00
Interest paid to Feb. 15th, 1909, .	2 72

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR.

1908			
Balance from last year . .		$15 16	
Apr. 17,	Received from town .	50 00	
Dec.	" " " .	50 00	
1909			
Feb. 12,	" " " .	50 00	
12,	" from Miss Fitz for book	84	
15,	" " interest of Library Trust fund .	2 72	
			$168 72

EXPENDITURES.

1908		
Mar. 25,	Webster Brothers, one cord wood . .	$4 00
Apr. 9,	Temple & Farrington Co. one book . .	84
9,	Temple & Farrington books	10 04
9,	Sherburn Hazelton, sawing wood . .	1 00
May 16,	A. A. West, setting one light glass . .	50
23,	Phillip Hazelton, janitor .	3 00
19,	John Wilson for Magazines .	15 00
19,	Post office money order and stamps . .	12

June 11,	A. H. Wilcomb, screening and tacks . .	$ 40	
11,	F. E. Robie, repairing screen door . .	45	
July 13,	Temple & Farrington Co., books . .	12 91	
17.	Isabell Fitzs, salary for six months . .	12 50	
Aug. 2,	Express on books .	10	
2,	Freight on Stevens books	25	
Oct. 4,	Temple & Farrington Co. books, . .	8 63	
Dec. 16,	Temple & Farrington Co. books . .	20 43	
16,	Stamps and P. O. money order . .	14	
1909			
Jan. 5,	Isabell H. Fitz, 6 months salary . .	12 50	
Feb. 13,	Temple & Farrington, books . .	14 99	
13,	Express on books .	40	
15,	Cash on hand .	50 52	
			$168 72

FRANCIS E. ROBIE,
JOHN H. ROBIE,
HERBERT W. ROBIE, } Trustees.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts

of the Library Trustees, for the past and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON,
WILLIAM T. OWEN, } Auditors.
ELMER A. SANBORN,

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

Trust Funds.

The Cemetery "Trust Funds" held by the Town of Chester are as follows:

The John W. Noyes Fund, the William W. White Fund, the Jonathan Pressey Fund, the George W. Stevens fund, the Luther W. Hall Fund, and the Edmund Sleeper Fund, all invested in the Town of Chester, at three and one half per cent per annum. The accounts for the same, for the past year, are as follows:

Dr.

The John W. Noyes Fund .	$300 00	
Cash balance Feb. 15, 1908 .	32 56	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	12 37	
		$344 93

Cr.

Town notes . .	$300 00	
Paid Robert H. Hazelton, for painting gates, work on the Noyes lot, and others, . .	17 56	
Cash to balance account .	27 37	
		344 93

Dr.

The William W. White fund .	$75 00	
Cash balance Feb. 15, 1908 .	3 62	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	2 79	
		$81 41

Cr.

Town note . . .	$75 00	
Paid Robert H. Hazelton, for care of Benj. White lot . .	1 55	
Cash to balance account .	4 86	
		$81 41

Dr.

The Jonathan Pressey Fund .	$32 00	
Cash balance to Feb. 15, 1908 .	3 36	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	1 30	
		$36 66

Cr.

Town note . . .	$32 00	
Cash to balance account .	4 66	
		$36 66

Dr.

The George W. Stevens fund .	$150 00	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	2 72	
		$152 72

Cr.

Town notes . .	$150 00	
Paid Robert H. Hazelton, for care of Geo. W. Stevens lot .	1 95	
Cash to balance account .	77	
		$152 72

DR.

The Luther W. Hall Fund .	100 00	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	50	
		$100 50

CR.

Town Note . . .	$100 00	
Cash to balance account . .	50	
		$100 50

DR.

The Edmund Sleeper Fund .	$45 00	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1909 .	23	
		$45 23

CR.

Town Note . . .	$45 00	
Cash to balance account . .	23	
		$45 23

CYRUS F. MARSTON,

TREASURER OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

ADDISON A. BEAN,
CYRUS F. MARSTON,
ROBERT H. HAZELTON. } Cemetery Trustees of Chester.

Chester, N. H., Feb. 22, 1909.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Cemetery Trustees, for the year past, and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

WILLIAM T. OWEN,
ELMER A. SANBORN. } Auditors.

SCHOOL WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE,

ROCKINGHAM, SS.

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Chester School District qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town hall in said Town Saturday the 13th day of March 1909 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects;

1. To choose a Moderator.

2. To choose a Clerk.

3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer.

5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

6. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the support of schools, in addition to that required by law.

7. To see what the District will do in regard to repair-

ing, furnishing and improving the school buildings, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.

8. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in regard to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Chester, this 22nd day of February 1909.

MARTHA T. LEARNARD, GEO. A. HOSLEY, LIZZIE S. HOOKE,	School Board of Chester.

A true copy of Warrant, attest:

MARTHA T. LEARNARD, GEO. A. HOSLEY, LIZZIE S. HOOKE,	School Board of Chester.

SCHOOL REPORT.

In accordance with the requirements of law and custom the following annual report is submitted by the School Board of Chester.

The school year just passed has been the longest one the town has ever provided. In five of the districts there have been thirty-two weeks of school, in one thirty-three, and in one thirty-four. The number of pupils in the seven schools is one hundred sixty-six; visits by the school board eighty-seven; by others, four hundred, thirty.

The school supplies were bought in large quantities before the rise in the price of paper and other materials, so that there is now on hand, for another year, about thirty dollars' worth.

Repairs have been made on the buildings where they were most needed, and there are few towns of its size with pleasanter school houses than Chester has. Fortunately the town has already in its possession a building admirably well adapted for use as a high and grammar school, as well as one suited for the primary and intermediate grades.

The town has been fortunate, too, in its teachers this year. They have been, as a rule, fairly well-equipped for their work, and have been interested in it. The school board in selecting and retaining teachers have been actuated by a single motive—the welfare of the children. While they have considered the ability to teach arithmetic, geography

and grammar, an eminently desirable qualification, they have felt that the willingness to teach truth and honor and respect for law, by example as well as by precept, was an absolutely essential one. One member of the school board has, for the second time, used his salary for the benefit of the schools, and, for the last five years, the School District treasurer has given his efficient services to the town without remuneration.

The town, in proportion to its wealth, is generous in its appropriation of money; the school rooms are well-furnished, and the pupils have all needful supplies; the teachers are faithful; but no school can be any better than the parents of the children belonging to it are willing it should be. No school grade can be kept up to the mark if children are allowed to be absent whenever they wish. Any parent by his own school tax furnishes but a trifling proportion of the expense of sending his child to school. His fellow-townsmen pay the bill largely; but he can thwart all their efforts to help him educate his children, he can spoil all their hopes of having good schools, by keeping his children at home. He can do more. He can even increase the tax they are paying for his children's education by forcing them to employ a truant officer to compel him to do what any parent is defrauding his own children by not doing. No academic or collegiate education can ever make up for the lack of the foundation work done only in the primary and grammar schools. "No road to any good knowledge lies wholly among the lilies and the grass; there is hard climbing to be done always." But parents wrong their own children by letting them loiter among the lilies instead of urging them to climb the steeps.

"I am going to move my family East into a country house," said a New England man living in Chicago, "I've thought about Chester. It always seemed to me a pleasant

old town. Are your schools good? I have four boys to educate, and my first thought must be about the schools for them."

Chester can never be a manufacturing center, it can not be a noted summer resort, but it can make its schools so good that the city dweller looking for a home in the country where he gan give his children the advantages of sound education will be glad to settle here. It can be such a town that an intelligent class of people will come here to stay and become helpful citizens. It can make its religious, its social, its educational life of the kind to attract the best and not the poorest element to occupy its farms. The late Dr. Brown realizing this, and always interested in the schools of Chester, has done his part most generously towards such a result. If the town uses his gift wisely in providing, as he wished, a good home school for its children, others will follow his lead.

Improve the schools, beautify the school buildings, make attractive the school grounds. Not only will the value of soul estate be raised thereby, but (what matters a good deal to the average tax payer) the value of real estate will increase also.

MARTHA T. LEARNARD,
GEORGE H. HOSLEY,
LIZZIE S. HOOKE,
} School Board.

ROLL OF HONOR.

No. 1, Grammar.

Lester W. Mitchell.

No. 1, Primary.

Fannie Hooke*
Lillian Vandine†
Bessie Smith*
Archie Vandine†

Gladys Burdette
Lillian Brown
Annie Hulslander
Victor Hulslander
Randolph Burbank
Helen Mackintosh
Carrie O'Brien†
Elizabeth Hulslander
Ethel G. Smith

No. 2, South.

Elion Coffin
Lawrence W. Bowers
Lena Wood
Hartwell Roberts
Carrie Coffin
Helen Richardson

No. 3, Brick.

Winnifred Robie
Ruth Lewis
Harold Lewis
Gladys Warren
Ralph Lewis
Loren Rand
Lester Lewis

No. 5, No. Chester.

Maud Parker†
Harold Weeks
Allen Parker†
Evelyn Cammett
Nellie Parker†
Marion Dwyer
Leon Weeks

No. 7.

Howard Warren

No. 8, Knowles.

Millie Dolber†
Inez Stowe*
William Arlett
Harold Wason†
Bernard Wason*
Bernard Sanborn

* indicates 3 terms
† indicates 2 terms.

EXPENDITURES.

PAID FOR TEACHING.

1908		
May 1,	Eva R. Baker, No. 7 .	$28 00
4,	Edith E. Horne, No. 5 .	35 00
11,	Julia M. Gay, No. 1, 1st Div.	44 00
June 5,	Celestia S. Goldsmith, No. 5, .	35 00
19,	Carrie E. Pressey, No. 7 .	49 00
26,	A. M. Coult, No. 8 .	91 00
26,	Martha L. Coolidge, No. 1, 2nd Div. . .	117 00
26,	Carrie A. Underhill, No. 2 .	91 00
July 3,	Susanna Merritt, No. 1, 1st Div	50 60
3,	C. Lucy Hunt, No. 3 .	105 00
10,	L. S. Hooke, No. 1, 1st Div. .	21 60
Oct. 2,	Evalyn Carter, No. 1, 1st Div.	42 00
Nov. 20,	Carrie A. Underhill, No. 3 .	84 00
20,	Eva R. Baker, No. 5 .	84 00
20,	Helen Clement, No. 2 .	84 00
20,	L. Evalyn Carter .	84 00
20,	M. L. Coolidge .	99 00
20,	A. Mae Coult . .	77 00
20,	Mary A. Kelley . .	77 00
20,	Lena M. Morse, asst. No. 2, 1st Div. . .	17 50
1909		
Jan. 25,	A. M. Coult . .	56 00
28,	Helen E. Clement .	63 00
29,	Lena M. Morse . .	17 50
Feb. 2,	Mary A. Kelley . .	70 00
3,	Carrie A. Underhill .	56 00

3, M. L. Coolidge . .	72 00	
4, Eva R. Baker . .	70 00	
15, L. Evalyn Carter .	94 50	
		$1814 70

CONVEYING PUPILS.

1908		
July 4, Mrs. V. A. Towle, No. 6, to No. 8 . .	$52 00	
Nov. 23. Mrs. J. W. Towle .	44 00	
1909		
Feb. 8, Mrs. J. W. Towle .	32 00	
11, Mrs. J. F. Burdette .	52 50	
		$180 50

JANITOR'S SERVICES.

1908		
June 19, Howard Warren .	$2 75	
July 1, Earle M. Hazelton .	3 85	
1909		
Jan. 25, Annie M. Coult .	2 00	
Feb. 2, Helen E. Clement .	2 25	
3, Carrie A. Underhill .	2 00	
4, Arthur Maxwell . .	2 50	
5, John G. Hall . .	6 75	
10, Howard Warren .	2 50	
13, E. M. Hazelton . .	11 20	
		$35 80

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

1908		
Paid E. E. Babb & Co. .	$86 45	
R. E. Lane . .	60	

H. Clement . .	$ 40	
Ginn & Co. . .	12 00	
W. Kemp . .	9 72	
Expense and freight .	2 49	
		$111 66
Received from the town,		$111 66

SCHOLARS ATTENDING PINKERTON ACADEMY.

F. J. Shepard, Treasurer, Fall 1907, Winter and Spring '07 and '08.

Howard B. Fitts, 3 terms .	$21 00	
Mildred M. Fitts, 3 terms .	21 00	
George W. Goldsmith, 3 terms .	21 00	
Mildred E. Greene, 3 terms .	21 00	
Nellie L. Hardy, 3 terms .	21 00	
William D. Jones, 1 term . .	7 00	
Chas. G. McDuffie, 3 terms .	21 00	
Holly A. Purinton, 3 terms .	21 00	
Lena M. Rand, 3 terms .	21 00	
Alice B. Richardson, 3 terms .	21 00	
Percy E. Richardson, 1 term .	7 00	
Seymour Smith, 3 terms .	21 00	
Hazel I. Stowe, 3 terms .	21 00	
Lena L. Webster, 3 terms .	21 00	
Ruth N. Webster, 3 terms .	21 00	
Dorothy Witham, 3 terms .	21 00	
Edith F. Butler, 1 term . .	7 00	
		$315 00

SANBORN SEMINARY.

A. C. Chase, treasurer, paid to March, 1909.

Ethel Mackintosh . .	$15 00	
		$15 00
		$330 00
Received from town, tuition		$330 00

CHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20, 1909.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the School Board of Chester for the past year and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, Auditor.

FUEL ACCOUNT.

1908		
May 9,	L. F. West, fitting wood and putting in shed .	$ 60
23,	R. H. Hazelton, 4 loads pine wood .	5 00
June 23,	L. F. West, fitting and putting wood in shed .	50
July 1,	E. M. Hazelton, fitting and putting wood in shed .	1 75
Aug. 12,	Percy E. Richardson, fitting and housing wood .	60
Dec. 12,	Percy E. Richardson, fitting and housing wood .	2 25
18,	E. M. Hazelton, fitting and housing wood .	8 13

1909			
Jan. 22,	C. H. Greene, 2 cords 3 1-2 ft. hard wood, No. 2 .	9 75	
22,	R. H. Hazelton, 5 cds. pine, 5 1-2 cds. hard wood .	32 00	
25,	A. P. Morse, fitted wood, No. 7, . .	10 40	
25,	W. L. Kimball, 1-2 cord fitted wood, No. 7. .	2 30	
Feb. 4,	S. E. Ray, fitted wood, No. 8	12 50	
9,	R. H. Hazelton, 2 1-2 cords hard, 1 1-2 pine .	13 00	
9,	E. M. Hazelton, fitting and housing wood .	3 63	
12,	Garland Smith, fitted wood No. 5, . .	11 56	
15,	Webster Bros. 2 cds. hard wood . .	8 00	
			$121 97

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

1908			
Mar. 25,	Mary F. West, cleaning 5 school-houses .	$11 00	
27,	Frank Weymouth, cleaning funnels, etc. . .	5 30	
27,	C. E. Cook, cleaning Grammar school-room and stair ways . .	3 00	
Apr. 15,	Georgie Abbott. cleaning at No. 5, . .	1 75	

July 1,	E. M. Hazelton, setting glass No. 1 . .	$ 35	
1909			
Jan. 22,	R. H. Hazelton, cleaning out well . .	1 00	
Feb. 12,	Garland Smith, putting up shades and cleaning stove-pipe, No. 5, . .	1 00	
13,	A. H. Wilcomb, supplies .	69	
15,	J. G. Robertson, use of organ No. 2 . .	2 00	
15,	Webster Bros., bill including stove, funnel, zinc, etc., No. 1, Primary school .	21 38	
			$47 47

SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIRS.

1908			
Mar. 31,	L. M. Packer, stove pipe and elbows . .	$2 00	
Apr. 4,	L. H. Pillsbury & Son, window shades, No. 5 .	2 10	
Dec. 28,	F. G. Lewis, all round repairs . .	19 39	
1909			
Jan. 27,	C. A. Nichols, painting blackboards, No. 8 .	2 00	
27,	M. T. Learnard, paid E. E. Babb for paint .	2 05	
Feb. 12,	F. G. Lewis, part repairs, No. 8, . .	53 21	

15, E. T. Morse, repairs on furniture . .	75	
		$81 50

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

School Money Received.

Balance from last year .	$119 99	
Received from Town of Chester .	2018 45	
Town of Derry .	27 00	
Mrs. V. A. Towle .	4 00	
Mr. G. A. Hosley .	35 00	
		$2204 44

Expenditures.

Paid Teachers' salaries .	$1814 70	
Conveying pupils . .	180 50	
Fuel and janitors . .	157 77	
Miscellaneous bills . .	47 47	
Cash on hand . .	4 00	
		$2204 44

School Buildings.

Balance from last year . .	$1 35	
Received from the town .	100 00	
		$101 35
Paid orders for repairs, .	$81 50	
Cash on hand . .	19 85	
		$101 35

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. WEBSTER,

District Treasurer.

CHESTER, N. H., FEBRUARY 20th, 1909.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of John M. Webster, Treasurer of the School District of the Town of Chester for the year past and find them correctly cast with satisfactory vouchers for the several charges.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, Auditor.

Marriages, Births and Deaths

Registered in the

TOWN OF CHESTER

For the Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 1908.

Births Registered in the Town of Chester for the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth.	Name of the Child (if any.)	Sex & Con: Male or Female	Living or Stillb	No. of Child.	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother
Mar. 7	Chester ..	Muriel L. Spofford.. .	f	l	1	w	Osman Spofford	Lottie May Grew	Chester ...	Grand Falls, N. B..	..	..
Apr. 14	"	Blanche A. Leighton..	f	l	4	w	Arthur E. Leighton...	Sarah E. Edwards	Lowell, Mass.	Chester	..	.
May 1	"	Richard L. Barker....	m	l	3	w	Ralph H. Barker	Blanche A. Hayes	Candia	Northumberland....	..	..
June 4	"	Arthur E. Sanborn....	m	l	3	w	Elmer A. Sanborn	Mary A. Morse	Chester	Chester	..	..
July 2	"	Glendon E Emery...	m	l	1	w	Fred E. Emery	Alice B. Maxwell	Manchester	" ...	..	..
18	"	Grace I. VanDyne....	f	l	4	w	James P. VanDyne...	Emma S. Stowe	Maquapit, N. Brun'k	Mooers, N. Y.	..	..
Aug. 19	"	Ruth T. Lane	f	l	3	w	Walter W. Lane	Carolyn M. Lane	Chester	Chester	..	..
29	"	Alice M. Arlitt	f	l	4	w	Paul W. Arlitt	Alice W. Widdop	Lawrence, Mass....	England	..	..
Dec. 17	"	Adelbert T. Wells	m	l	3	w	Charles T. Wells	A. Clara Leighton....	Sandown	Lowell, Mass.	..	.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Chester for the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of each	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each.	Names of Parents.	Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by whom married.
May 12	Chester	Fred E. Emery	Chester	33	w	Shoe-maker..	Manchester...	Sylvester E. Emery ... Eliza Jane Piper	Div.	Albert H. Thompson, Cougregational Minister, Raymond
		Blanche A. Maxwell	"	17	w	..	Chester	Thomas Maxwell .... Ida May Abbott	s	
Sept. 9	Auburn	Leon F. Estes	Hanson, Mass	24	w	Machinist	Hanson, Mass	Floran P. Estes .... Inez M. Pratt	s	Noble Fisk, Clergyman, Auburn
		Maud R. Rand . .	Chester	24	w	Teacher ..	Chester	George D. Rand .... Lenora L. Parker	s	

Deaths Registered in the Town of Chester for the Year Ending December 31, 1908.

Date.		Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Year.	Age. Month.	Age. Day.	Place of Birth.	Sex Con Sex.	Sex Con Color.	Sex Con Single, etc.	Occupation.	Name of Father.	Maiden name of Mother.
Jan.	2	Chester	Rufus Abbott	84	5	9	Candia	m	w	w	Farmer	....	....
	23	"	Mabelle E. McQ. Greene	50	2	4	Manchester	f	w	m	Housewife	Clifton McQuestion	Frances Gamble
	28	"	Ann C. Horne	80	3	..	Claremont	f	w	w	....	Elerson Emerson	Fannie Clark
Feb.	6	"	Elizabeth A. Nichols	77	..	14	Bradford, Mass.	f	w	w	Housewife	James Kimball	Diadama Messer
	17	"	William Carberry	65	..	..	Glasgow, Scotl'd	m	w	m	...	....	....
Apr.	4	"	Almira A. White	74	..	8	Kingston, Mass.	f	w	w	Housewife	John White	Celia Jocelyn
	10	"	Margaret Mills	24	..	..	Worcester, Mass	f	w	s	Teacher	Fred G. Mills	....
	18	"	George W. Clark	84	1	3	Chester	m	w	w	Farmer	Noah Clark	—— Woods
	19	"	Joanna C. Arlitt	74	6	28	Germany	f	w	m	Housewife	—— Weizner	....
May	11	"	Ebenezer Marden	90	8	27	Chester	m	w	w	Farmer	Ebenezer Marden	Nancy Colby
	22	"	Alice B. Richardson	16	8	16	"	f	w	s	....	Leon B. Richardson	Clara A. Dunlap
Aug.	5	"	William A. Butler	7	11	5	Charlestown, Ms	m	w	s	....	William M. Butler	Emma Swinamar
Sept.	6	"	Samuel G. Healy	72	5	1	Raymond	m	w	m	Farmer	Samuel Healy	Druzilla Robinson
	7	"	Newton J. Emerson	58	9	22	"	m	w	d	Farmer	John V. Emerson	Sarah Hoit
Oct.	20	"	Abby French	92	8	10	"	f	w	w	....	....	....
	29	"	Elizabeth D. Cairnes	65	5	20	Bloomfield, Conn	f	w	w	Housewife	Asahel Clark	Dorcas Eggleson
Nov.	5	"	Alice May Arlitt	..	2	6	Chester	f	w	s	....	Paul W. Arlitt	Alice K. Widdop
	14	"	Caroline E. Morse	79	5	25	Derry	f	w	w	....	Jesse Webster	Betsey Wilson
	20	"	Emeline M. Hazelton	82	4	24	Chester	f	w	s	....	Samuel Hazelton	Abigail Tabor
	24	"	Mary Alice Bogue	77	4	28	Boston, Mass.	f	w	m	....	John Anderson	Mary Paul
Dec.	20	"	Alice M. N. West	53	4	21	Manchester	f	w	m	Housewife	Walter H. Noyes	Maria C. Quinby
	21	"	Susan K. Coolidge	70	11	..	Chester	f	w	m	Housewife	Dudley C. Swain	Martha McDuffee
Jan.	28	Haverhill, Mass	Mary Jane West	66	..	20	....	f	w	w	....	Lawrence Stone	....
Nov.	2	Manchester	J. Albert Hook	63	6	25	Chester	m	w	m	Farmer	James Hook	Lavina Sanborn

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CYRUS F. MARSTON, *Town Clerk*